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SUBJECT:CONSULTATIONS RE CONVENTIONAL ARMS TRANSFERS IN
PROGRAM OF ACTION

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1. USDEL CARRIED OUT INSTRUCTIONS IN REFTELS RE CONTACTS
WITH JAPANESE AND SOVIET DELEGATIONS.
2. WATANABE, DIRECTOR OF DISARMAMENT SECTION IN JAPANESE
FOREIGN MINISTRY SEEMED TO AGREE THAT:

--JAPANESE COMPROMISE RE TAKING PRODUCTION "INTO CONSIDERATION" SHOULD NOT BE INITIAL JAPANESE PROPOSAL TO NON-ALIGNED;

--SUPPORT OF LARGER INDIGENOUS PRODUCES SUCH AS INDIA WOULD
BE NEEDED TO SOLVE "PRODUCTION" ISSUE; AND

-- STUDIES RE TRANSFERS WHICH JAPANESE HAVE PROPOSED ARE
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IMPORTANT BUT KEY ELEMENT OF TEXT IS ENDORSEMENT OF
RESTRAINT.

WATANABE, HOWEVER, ALSO SAID THAT:

--FORMULA RE "ACQUISITION AND INTERNATIONAL TRANSFER" OF
CONVENTIONAL ARMS WOULD NOT SATISFY NON-ALIGNED WHO WANT

TO INCLUDE "PRODUCTION";

--JAPANESE, WHO HAVE LONG PRESSED FOR ACTION ON TRANSFERS IN UN CONTEXT, MUST INSIST ON WORD "TRANSFER" APPEARING IN TEXT; AND

--IMPLICIT REFERENCE TO TRANSFERS IN THE MENTION OF SUPPLIER AND RECIPIENT CONSULTATIONS WHICH IS ALREADY IN THE TEXT WAS NOT ENOUGH FOR JAPAN.

3. WATANABE SAID HE BELIEVED THAT THE ARMS PRODUCTION ISSUE WOULD NOT BE SO DIFFICULT IN THE DECLARATION OR IN THE SECTION OF THE PROGRAM OF ACTION ON STUDIES. HE RECALLED THAT INDIA HAD BRACKETED "PRODUCTION" IN THE DECLARATION ON DISARMAMENT. IN THE PROGRAM OF ACTION SECTION ON STUDIES INDIANS HAD INDICATED TO HIM THAT THEY SAW NO NEED FOR A STUDY OF THE PRODUCTION PROBLEM.

4. DELOF TOLD WATANABE FORMULA DISCUSSED IN DECLARATION ON DISARMAMENT RE "EVENTUALLY" LIMITING PRODUCTION WOULD PROBABLY NOT BE ACCEPTABLE TO WASHINGTON ALTHOUGH WE HAD NO INSTRUCTIONS ON THIS POINT.

5. TULINOV OF SOVIET DELEGATION ASSURED US DEL HIS DEL HAD NO PLANS TO INTRODUCE NEW PROPOSALS RE ARMS TRANSFERS. SOVIET PROPOSALS RELATING TO CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS (BUT NOT CONFIDENTIAL

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SPECIFICALLY TRANSFERS) ARE REPORTED SEPTEL. TULINOV SAID SOVIETS DO NOT LIKE NOTION OF LIMITING PRODUCTION AND WOULD PROBABLY NOT BE AUTHORIZED TO AGREE TO IT. HE AGREED TO US SUGGESTION THAT WE SHOULD WORK TOGETHER IN OUR SEPARATE CONTACTS WITH NON-ALIGNED TO GET ISSUE SATISFACTORILY RESOLVED. YOUNG

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